

The State of Texas
County of Bell

I know all manner by these
presents, That I Martha Sample of the County
of ~~Bell~~ ¹ and State of Texas, have this day
nominated, Constituted and Appointed, and by these
presents do constitute and appoint

John T. Carter my true and lawful attorney in
fact, for the use of Exum & Carter, in my name
to demand and receive, and receipt for any and
all sums of Money that may be found due
and owing to James Bird deceased, for any and
all services due him from the State of Texas
for and on account of money due him from
the late Republic of Texas, for by virtue of
Certificate No 2252, or any other that may be
found due him the said Bird as aforesaid
for: ~~Twenty seven~~ Dollars and

~~3500~~ Cts for and on account of services rendered
the late Republic, in the year 1842 or any other
year he may have been entitled to pay for services
as aforesaid. Giving my said attorney full power
to prosecute any and all claims that he may find
due me as one of the heirs of said Bird de.
or to make any other attorney he may think
proper. In all things Conforming to the acts
of my said attorney. Herby ratifying and
Confirming all that my said Attorney shall
lawfully do in and about the premises.

Witness my hand and seal for seal
having no seal, on this the 10th day of August
A.D. 1856

Witness
J. T. Carter
I. M. Sample

Kartha Sample